

Prunus americana

American Plum



A good choice for dry open sites, this tree has fragrant white flowers that fade to pink before the leaves emerge. Yellow or red fruits appear in late summer. Leaves turn a pale gold in fall. May form thickets.

Suggested Companions: black oak, (*Quercus velutina*), little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*), old-field goldenrod (*Solidago nemoralis*), smooth aster (*Aster laevis*)

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Plant Type: Small Tree

Size: 18-24' H
20-35' W

Water Tolerant: No

Habitat:

Open field/ Prairie
Woodland Margin

Soil: Average Garden Soil
Rich Moist
Sandy/ Gravelly

Exposure: sun

Flower Color:
White

Bloom Time:
May

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Other Attributes:

Fragrant
Winter interest
Wildlife attracting
Butterfly attracting
Bird attracting